

Agenda Item Number: 2005-2-4A

BERNALILLO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: February 22, 2005

Department: Sheriffs Staff Contact: Darren White, Sheriff

John Dantis, Deputy County Manager

for Public Safety

TITLE: Click It or Ticket

ACTION: Motion to:

1. Accept the Click It or Ticket award from the New Mexico Department of Transportation in the amount of \$15,440.

2. Approve Financial Resolution **FR** -2005 increasing the FY2005 budget in the amount of \$15,440.

SUMMARY:

The Click It or Ticket project is funded with Federal Section 157-IG Occupant Protection Innovative Funds and issued to the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department through the New Mexico Department of Transportation. The purpose of this award is to enforce protection laws and ordinances aimed at increasing seatbelt and proper child restraint usage. The funds will be used to pay deputy overtime during special traffic blitz periods. During the first patrol initiative in November 2004, a total of 1,056 citations were issued and six arrests made.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Project Agreement
- 2. Financial Resolution FR -2005

FISCAL IMPACT

BC07-588800-03OR Click It or Ticket Project \$15,440

STAFF ANALYSIS SUMMARY

COUNTY MANAGER

The Sheriff Department continues to be successful in securing outside funding for special projects. The Click It or Ticket initiative funding will pay for deputy overtime during traffic blitz periods. I recommend Board approval. TL 2/15/05

DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

The Department continues to work towards best business practice's in Public Safety. The funds will go to very good use by providing additional deputies in the field to enforce and enhance child safety. I recommend approval of this item... JDantis 2/14/05

LEGAL

This is the appropriate procedure to accept and budget monies for the Click It or Ticket project. It is understood that these accounts will be placed on hold until the Click It or Ticket funds are received from the State of New Mexico. TDC 2/3/05

FINANCE

Budget If approved, funding will be appropriated and the grant accepted for the

enforcement of occupant protection laws and ordinances to increase seatbelt and

proper child restraint usage. Teresa Byrd, Budget Director 2/2/05

ELECTED OFFICIAL/OTHERS

Sheriff's Dept.: The Sheriff's Department is dedicated to aggressively reduce motor vehicle related crashes and injuries, by enforcing the proper usage of occupant protection devices. The goal for the State of New Mexico is to increase overall safety belt use to 91% from the current level of 87%.

This funding will ensure the Sheriff's Department's participation in joint, statewide occupant protection programs and activities. The aggressive enforcement of occupant protection devices will heighten awareness and reduce the tragic consequences of accidents involving un-restrained drivers and occupants. I endorse this program and the Sheriff's Department participation. Chief David Linthicum. 2/3/05